

If congress were but kinder,  
I would banish from our ground  
The Italian organ grinder  
Who carries the monkey round.  
For it makes me feel quite funky  
When you think, if Darwin's true,  
That you might have been the monkey—  
And the monkey might have been you  
— Our old song has been changed to suit  
seasons:  
"Mother may I go out to skate?"  
"Yes, my dearest daughter;  
But come back home at half-past eight,  
And don't go into the water."

THE worst thing "under the canopy"—A mosquito.

"Boors' blacked inside" is not a good inscription for a sign.

WHEN is the weather most like a crockery shop? When it's muggy.

THE "Sisters of Silence" is a Michigan association of women. Their by-

Two are written in three colors of ink. The latest definition of a gentleman is a man who has a clean collar with the string conspicuous."

One story of bouzou is called "Mansard," because it takes a great deal of a "man's hard" earnings to pay for one of 'em.

"I WANT TO KNOW," said a creditor, "what you are going to pay me, fiercely, if I don't pay you?" "When I'm going to pay? "Why, you're a pretty fellow! Do you take me for a prophet?"

One day when Mrs. Partington heard the minister say there would be a nave in the city, she said, "who the parson was."

A SACSILATOR thief stole all the shirts at a Methodist church in Charleston, S. C., and the exploit has become the "standing" joke of the congregation.

An old lady was admiring the beautiful picture called "Shred." "It's no wonder," said she, "that the poor child fainted after pulling that great dog out of the water."

An English traveller says: "Put an American baby six months old on his feet, and it will immediately say, 'Mr. Chairman,' and call the next cradle to order."

A MAN advertises for a competent person to undertake the sale of a new medicine, and adds that "it will prove highly lucrative to the undertaker!"

"There's one thing," said a gentleman at a race, "that nobody can beat, and that is the name, 'Fudge!'" exclaimed a bystander, "every drummer in the land beats him!"

A DOCTOR, like everybody else at this

reason, went out for a day's sport, and complained of having killed nothing. "What the consequence of having neglected your business," observed his wife.

ELEGANT people will in the future desist from describing suddenly cold weather as a "cold snap" or a "cold spell." It is a "cold day," and the occasion is that we are experiencing a "cold wave."

A MEDDLEROME man, who was watching his wife bake pies, stepped with his bare foot on a warm stove lid, and then exclaimed, "The air a few paces, and line goes west."

A BALCON KEEPER having started business in a building where trunks had been made, asked a friend what he had better do with the old sign—"Trunk Factory." "Oh," said the friend, "junk it up. The sign will not go."

Mr. Pat's face was as red as the ship's spars. "I roared Nelson during a hull in the firing at the battle of the Nile. 'I'm here, my lord,' said Erin's son, showing him the deck." "Then, said the gallant Nelson, looking satisfied, 'let the battle proceed.' That story is Pat's."

Mrs. G.: "I really must give you warning, Charles. She does use such very bad words. Mr. G.: Really, dear? What sort of words are those?"

Mr. G.: "Oh, well! the same as you use."

The balloon style of dress seems to have gone out of fashion. Crinolines, corsettes, pantalettes, each have all their own little bells and whistles. To use a homely expression, look "as if they had been drawn through a knut hole."

**LOST WEATHER** may be restored by in-

Many, like the weaver, have forgotten knowledge restored by study, alienated friendship smoothed into forgetfulness, even forfeited reputation recovered by persistence; but who has ever again looked upon his vanished friends with the same respect? He has stamped them with wisdom, or effaced from heaven's record the fearful blot of wasted time.

MANY stories are told in Norfolk county of Tom Smith, Jr., a very ignorant man, who made his money distilling gin and used to be called "Old Tom." One day, when he was in the Juniper. Thinking to better his standing in society he joined the church and took active part in the prayer-meetings, always going in full dress, with light kids on his brawny hands, and making the most impressive and graceful to the "great and diabolical Jehovah." Once in speaking of a pray-

the meeting held in a drinking-saloon, he said, "Can any good come out of Lazarus?" Come and see, as he said, and he would remember David who was cast into a den of roaring lions and came out unscathed."

They tell of a young lady in Westchester County, named Louise, who thought mournfully of the leap-year fast going out and that she was to be left alone. "I would go out with it," she said. "I would go out with it." Finally, growing desperate, she went to one Bennie Hopps, and, holding a revolver to his ears, made an elaborate proposal. Bennie consented with readily unnecessary haste. "The girl was from that locality and has not since been seen by Louise or any of his friends. The girl, however, may have the consolation of suing him for a breach of

promise and recovering, of which the latter will be commensurate with his property.

PEOPLE who are unable to go to sleep at night will be glad to know that an instrument, constructed by an ingenious German, which, when placed under the head, and gently manipulated, by soothing strains, to persuade the most troubled conscience into sweet oblivion and gentle slumber. It also will, at the set time, awaken the happy sleeper to a lively selection from one of Offenbach's operas. The little instrument is provided with a tune appropriate for any occasion, even that of a death or funeral service, a dead march being among the selections.

PERSONS having occasion to drive in the dark will find the advantage of carrying a lantern beneath the head of the driver, which will keep the

the carriage, and not inside, usually the case. The light is thus thrown several feet in front of the horse, and the usual nervous, uncertain step of the animal is at once checked.











# THE HICKMAN COURIER.

SATURDAY, JAN. 18, 1873.

**SICK.**  
The editor of the COURIER has been confined to his bed since Monday of this week, which is our apology for lack of editorial and local matter in this issue.

**COUNTY COURT.**—The proceedings of the County Court on Monday, Jan. 14, were of much importance further than the receiving of the bond and swearing in of Mr. J. W. Taylor, the new sheriff. W. L. Gardner was sworn in, and is now the acting deputy of Mr. Taylor.

**THE RIVER.**—The Ohio river is reported of late to be rising, and the steamboats have resumed business. The upper Mississippi is still locked with ice, and navigation entirely suspended.

**THE WEATHER.**—The weather in the last few days has assumed every phase known to the climate makers. Heavy rains, and warm spring-like weather, for the first day of the week, when on Wednesday night, a sudden change took place and a snow storm set in which lasted several hours—since when it has been a cold and stormy day.

**FOR SIXTY DAYS.**  
For sixty days, from January 1st, the New York store proposes selling all kind of winter goods, including gentlemen's clothing and ladies' dress goods, at cost. Their stock is general and consists of the very best grades. Be sure to call and examine before purchasing elsewhere.

**RICE & BRO.**

**NEW WAY TO PAY HOTEL BILLS.**

One Robbins, whose surname was John, and who is nominally in the employ of Bernard & Co., St. Louis, sent a bill for the proprietor of the Planter House, on Friday night last, being a guest at the Planter's, he claimed that his valise had been stolen. Officers were put in search, but didn't go in the right direction, and were about to give it up "no property found," when Robbins as a last resort concluded to go on the hunt in person. He is said to have described an air line to the spot where the missing valise was concealed and filled of its contents. A bill of damages was preferred, and promptly paid. The department and statements of Robbins convinced nearly all those acquainted with the circumstances that he, himself, was the robber, and the whole thing a cunning trick to beat his hotel bill and make a raise. If this is his character, the newspapers will discharge a public duty in holding him up.

**NOTICE! NOTICE!**  
Pamphlets published by W. M. B. BERRY, are respectfully requested to come forward and settle.

**MELROSE INSTITUTE.**—In referring to this institution we have not space to speak as we desire; and do not intend what we do say as a mere "puff," but as a sincere honest commendation of the institution. Mr. W. K. Jones, the president, is a teacher of large experience, and one of the most successful educators in the South. Parents sending their daughters may rest assured that a parental care will be exercised at all times, and every advantage represented given to them.

**CITIZEN'S HALL.**—The hall to be given by citizens of Hickman on next Thursday night, seems to engross the entire attention of young and old. It is asserted by the managers that it will dispel anything in the way of tepid chorism movement that has ever come off in Hickman; and from the well known taste and energy of the gentlemen who have the thing in charge, we have no doubt that what they promise will be strictly complied with. The hall room will be elegantly furnished and decorated and brilliantly lighted, and the music will be the best. A supper will be prepared which will embrace every delicacy or the season, with confections the most delicious and fruits the rarest. A large number of tickets of invitation have been distributed, not only to the ladies of Hickman, but in the country and the adjacent towns; and should the weather be favorable, we doubt not that such an assemblage of youth and age in a hall room in Hickman, is to be remembered. Who will miss it?

**THE FUNERAL OF THE LATE EMPEROR OF THE FRENCH TOOK PLACE ON THE 16th AT CHICHESTER, ENGLAND, WITH IMPRESSIVE CEREMONIES, AND ATTENDED BY A CROWD.**

**FOR THE HICKMAN COURIER.**  
**Practical and Striking ILLUSTRATION OF THE BENEFITS OF LIFE INSURANCE.**

HICKMAN, KY., Dec. 12, 1872.

To Samuel Landrum, Esq., Director Agent Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Company, of New York and New Jersey:

Sir:—Allow me, through this letter, to acknowledge the payment this day made by you of TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS in full of policy No. 61,555, upon the life of my deceased husband, Geo. R. Hall, well, late of this county. My husband during the war, resided in Missouri, and at its close having lost in a manner nearly all his property, returned to this country, and resided in and Ohio county for three years. He then came to Fulton county, and purchased a farm, borrowing the larger part of the money and mortgaging the farm to secure its payment. On the 13th of January, 1870, he was induced by the means to leave his home, and was never seen again. He was found floating in the river, and was recovered by the means of a small boat, and was brought to this county, and was found to be the same man who had been seen in the river. He was recovered by the means of a small boat, and was brought to this county, and was found to be the same man who had been seen in the river. He was recovered by the means of a small boat, and was brought to this county, and was found to be the same man who had been seen in the river.

**Council Proceedings.**  
HICKMAN, KY., Jan. 13, 1873.  
Council met. Present—Mayor Taylor, Councilmen Campbell, Frent, Harlow, Harlow, Thomas and Trout. Minutes of preceding meeting read, approved and signed.  
On motion, the old Council adjourned, adj. sine die.  
W. A. BRYNARD, City Clerk.

**NEW BOARD—OATH OF OFFICE.**  
New Board elected, to wit: Mayor—H. A. Taylor. Councilmen—Campbell, Frent, Harlow, Harlow, Thomas and Trout. All being presented, the oath of office was duly administered to each of them by J. H. Davis, City Judge.

**FIXING SALARIES.**  
The first business in order being the fixing of salaries of the subordinate officers of the Council.  
That of City Clerk being first in order, on motion, the salary of City Clerk was fixed at \$1000, and five percent on all collections made by him. Salary of City Assessor was fixed at \$750.  
Salary of City Treasurer was fixed at \$500.  
Salary of City Tax Collector was fixed at five percent on all taxes collected by him.  
City Attorney, 25 percent on all fees for collection of claims.  
Salary of Market Master was fixed at 20 percent on all collections.  
**ELECTION OF SUBORDINATE OFFICERS.**  
The election of subordinate officers being next in order, W. A. Brynard, Mayor, and Councilmen Campbell, Frent, Harlow, Harlow, Thomas and Trout, all being presented, the oath of office was duly administered to each of them by J. H. Davis, City Judge.

**ANNUAL OR BIENNIAL COUNCILS.**  
The dictionary has been made that the City Council of Hickman authorize that the election of Mayor and Councilmen be for a term of two years, and not annually, as has heretofore been the custom. The term, whether it be for one or two years, we consider of no great importance; but why such an important provision should have escaped the attention of office holders and electors for so long a time (since 1858) is a matter of surprise. The Council now proposes to right itself by ordering a special election on the 25th inst., submitting to the people, whether they will have the charter so amended as to make the term of service certain; and whether the present Council shall serve for one or two years? That the people should be called upon to express their desire as to any proposed amendment to our city charter is right and proper, but how they are to alter the status of the present Council is not to be determined by the existing charter is not to be determined by the existing charter is not to be determined by the existing charter.

**ACCOUNTS ALLOWED.**  
Mr. E. E. E. presented an account for \$200 for putting rock on river bank in front of West 3 of lot No. 3, old Hickman.  
On motion, ordered that so much of the City revenue here-for- passed to the City Treasurer, as would pay the account of Mr. E. E. E. be allowed, and the balance of the account be paid by the City Treasurer.

**ANNOUNCEMENT TO CITY CHARTER.**  
His Honor the Mayor and City Attorney, are requested to prepare and forward to the City Clerk, a copy of the City Charter, as amended by the City Council, on or before the 15th inst.

**STANDING COMMITTEES.**  
His Honor the Mayor appointed the following standing committees:  
Finance Committee—Landrum, Campbell and Trout.  
Police Committee—Thomas, Harlow and Frent.  
Public Works Committee—Harlow, Frent and Campbell.

**REMARKABLE AND RESOLUTION.**  
Commissioner Landrum offered the following preamble and resolution: That whereas, doubts exist as to whether by the terms of the Charter of the City of Hickman, Ky., the office of Mayor, Councilmen, Assessor, Tax Collector, and City Clerk are for one or two years, and therefore, on motion, it was resolved that an election be held at the City Hall, in the City of Hickman, Ky., on Saturday, the 25th day of January, 1873, to elect the Mayor, Councilmen, Assessor, Tax Collector, and City Clerk, and that the City Clerk be authorized to issue writs to the proper officers to appear at said election, and that the City Clerk be authorized to issue writs to the proper officers to appear at said election.

**PASS WAYS ORDERED CLEAR.**  
On motion, the City Marshal is hereby directed to notify J. H. Davidson, of the Nashville and Chattanooga Railroad, to keep the pass ways to the wharf clear.

**OATH ADMINISTERED.**  
Geo. B. Prather, City Attorney, called, appeared in open court and the oath of office was duly administered to him by J. H. Davis, City Judge.

**THE COUNCIL PROCEEDED TO THE ELECTION OF A STREET COMMISSIONER.**  
W. T. Landrum, and J. H. Davidson were put in nomination, and on the vote being called, W. T. Landrum received 5 votes, and J. H. Davidson received 1 vote. W. T. Landrum was declared duly elected.

**COMMON SCHOOL.**  
The Trustees of this School District, announce that a new school will be opened at the "Beach Wood Seminary," on the 14th day of January, next, under the management of John W. Cowell, principal, and F. M. Frenz and Miss Emma Frenz, assistants. The school will be taught for five months, and all children within the ages prescribed by law are invited to attend said school, as the State pays for their tuition.  
A charge of One Dollar is made for each pupil, which must be paid on the first day of entering school, to John W. Cowell, who is authorized to receive the same. This charge is made to cover house rent and fuel.  
J. H. Davis, } Trustees.  
S. W. Taylor, }  
J. H. Davis, }  
January 1st, 1873.

**Bankrupt Sale.**  
Having purchased the entire stock of **Dupee, bankrupt, New Orleans, La., consisting of Ribbons, Fine Laces, Gloves, Towels, Corsets, Chemises, Ladies' Gowns, Handkerchiefs, Cuffs, Collars, Hosiery, Under-shirts, Fringes, &c.**  
Also, a large assortment of Oil Painting, Chromos, Steel and Copper Plate Engravings, Picture Frames, Looking Glasses, &c.  
We shall open upon arrival in our Clothing room, and offer the whole stock at astonishingly low prices.  
**J. H. PLAUT & BRO.**

**MARKET REPORTS.**  
New York Market.  
New York, Jan. 16.  
Gold—The gold market was firm to-day, gold advancing from 112 to 112 1/2, and closing at 112 1/2 to 112 3/4.  
Cotton—Cotton market opened steady and closed quiet, middling upland 20 1/2.  
General Market—Flour, firm and active, superfine 50, extra 45, good 40, and State 35 to 40. Corn, firm, mixed 63 to 65. Oats, 45 to 50. Hay, firm, mixed 38 to 40. Grain steady with quotations unchanged. Coffee unchanged.

**St. Louis Market.**  
St. Louis, Jan. 16.  
Flour in good demand at full quotations. Wheat, No. 2, spring 1 1/2, No. 2, winter 1 1/4, and No. 3, winter 1 1/4. Corn, 45 to 50. Oats, 45 to 50. Hay, 38 to 40. Grain steady with quotations unchanged. Coffee unchanged.

**New Orleans Market.**  
New Orleans, Jan. 16.  
Cotton market steady, low middling 15 1/2, middling 15, and good 14 1/2. Extra 12 1/2 to 13. Corn, 45 to 50. Oats, 45 to 50. Hay, 38 to 40. Grain steady with quotations unchanged. Coffee unchanged.

**Commercial.**  
HICKMAN COURIER OFFICE, Saturday, January 18, 1873.  
COTTON—Shelled 30, ear 30.  
COFFEE—We quote at 15 1/2 to 17 1/2.  
WHEAT—No. 1, 20 1/2 to 22 1/2.  
WHEAT—No. 2, 19 1/2 to 21 1/2.  
WHEAT—No. 3, 18 1/2 to 20 1/2.  
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WHEAT—No. 7, 14 1/2 to 16 1/2.  
WHEAT—No. 8, 13 1/2 to 15 1/2.  
WHEAT—No. 9, 12 1/2 to 14 1/2.  
WHEAT—No. 10, 11 1/2 to 13 1/2.

**SEED.**  
TIMOTHY—per bushel, \$4.50.  
COVET—per bushel, 7.00.  
ORCHARD—per bushel, 3.50.  
CORN—per bushel, 2.50.  
OATS—per bushel, 2.00.  
HUNGARIAN—per bushel, 3.00.  
MILLET—per bushel, 2.00.

**STAVES.**  
Extra Pines, 6 cents apiece.  
No. 1 Pines, 5 " "  
No. 2 Pines, 4 " "  
No. 3 Pines, 3 " "  
No. 4 Pines, 2 " "  
No. 5 Pines, 1 " "  
No. 6 Pines, 1 " "  
No. 7 Pines, 1 " "  
No. 8 Pines, 1 " "  
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No. 10 Pines, 1 " "

**IRON.**  
BRESWAX 25¢ per lb.  
BLACKING 10¢ per lb.  
BROOMS 10¢ per doz.  
BROWN SHERTLOO 10¢ per doz.  
CASSIDY 20¢ per doz.  
OATS—Black, 6¢ white, 6¢ mix 1¢.  
CASTORS 20¢ per doz.  
COTTON YARNS 10¢ per lb.  
COAL OIL 10¢ per gallon.  
FLOUR 10¢ per 50 lb. bag.  
FEATHERS 10¢ per 100.  
GUNPOWDER 10¢ per 50 lb. bag.  
BLASTING POWDER 50¢ per 50 lb. bag.  
HIDES 10¢ per lb.  
HORSE SHOES 10¢ per pair.  
LARD OIL 10¢ per gallon.  
LARD 10¢ per lb.  
LEAD 10¢ per lb.  
MOLASSES 10¢ per gal.  
WASH 10¢ per lb.  
MACKEREL 10¢ per 50 lb. bag.  
NAILS 10¢ per 100.  
RICE 10¢ per lb.  
SUGAR 10¢ per lb.  
SODA 10¢ per lb.  
SHOT 10¢ per lb.  
TOBACCO 10¢ per lb.  
TALLOW 10¢ per lb.  
CEMENT 10¢ per lb.  
WHITE LEAD 10¢ per lb.  
WHISKY 10¢ per lb.  
BRANDY 10¢ per lb.  
HON. 10¢ per lb.  
PRINTS 10¢ per lb.  
JEANS 10¢ per lb.  
LINEN 10¢ per lb.  
LEATHER 10¢ per lb.  
LIME 10¢ per lb.  
WASH 10¢ per lb.  
PLUMS 10¢ per lb.  
HUBS 10¢ per lb.

**BOOT AND SHOE STORE.**  
**N. L. NELSON.**  
Garner Jackson and Kentucky St., under the Courier Office, Hickman, Ky.  
NEW ESTABLISHMENT JUST OPENED FOR THE MANUFACTURING OF Boots and Shoes!  
Good Workmen employed, and the best material used, which he warrants to give satisfaction. Also, Repairing Done with neatness and dispatch.

**TEMPERANCE DEPARTMENT.**  
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**TEMPERANCE.**  
WOODLAND MILLS, July 17, 1872.  
How shall I commence to write on this subject? To write on this subject is to write on a subject of such thrilling interest to every member of society? In the contemplation of this stupendous theme, I can but feel my great inability to do justice to the subject. Indeed, man who is created in the image of God, and who is endowed with the faculties of reason and reflection, cannot look with indifference on the subject of intemperance. It is a subject which we have in our power to make such an appeal to our Lodge and to the temperance men and organizations all over the land, as to show that we are not ashamed of our position which we hold towards the world around us, when we think of our fellow men who are suffering from the effects of intemperance.  
Have, fear, pride, ambition, slander, ostentation, and power have each had their sway, and swept away their pillars and upon a cloud of intemperance, and the virtuous have broken up and scattered all along the bleak and barren shores of this world's sad history. But more than all, towering above all the other evils of the world, stands intemperance, counting its slain by thousands, but by millions. Its power for evil, and the results of this tremendous evil, are now starting the world and causing much action which we feel as from the high places of political power that nations are imperiled by this monster power. The prodigious, the strongest, the grandest intellects, that ever flashed upon the world have gone down in ruin in the blackness of despair, before this rushing car of intemperance. All over the earth, from palace to hovel, its victims are striding, wretched, and ruined forever.  
Brothers and Sisters, band together as we are, for the laudable purpose of arresting this swelling tide of intemperance that now sweeps over all the fair fields of public and social life, a solemn responsibility rests upon us, a responsibility that runs parallel with the interests of the community, and the welfare of the whole country. In entering this Temperance organization, we have bowed our own to a grand and benevolent work, not only to protect ourselves, but to save our fellow citizens from the ruin and misery of intemperance. It was a grand and wonderful work to lay a telegraphic cable across the ocean, and the world is filled with the hum of a mighty achievement.  
But as we enter this Temperance organization, we are not only to save our fellow citizens from the ruin and misery of intemperance, but we are to save our own souls from the ruin and misery of intemperance. We are to save our own souls from the ruin and misery of intemperance, and we are to save our own souls from the ruin and misery of intemperance.

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